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S. 921

To establish a Minerals Management Service within the Department of the Interior; and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 14 (legislative day, JUNE 5), 1995

Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. JOHNSTON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 101. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Minerals Management
5 Service Organic Act”.

6 **SEC. 102. ESTABLISHMENT OF MINERALS MANAGEMENT**
7 **SERVICE.**

8 There is established in the Department of the Inte-
9 rior a service to be called the Minerals Management Serv-
10 ice, which shall be under the charge of a Director who

1 shall report to the Assistant Secretary for Land and Min-
2 erals Management. The Director shall be appointed by the
3 President, by and with the advice and consent of the Sen-
4 ate, and shall be compensated at the rate provided for level
5 V of the executive schedule under section 5315 of title 5
6 of the United States Code. The Director shall be ap-
7 pointed on the basis of professional competence and capac-
8 ity to administer the provisions of this title. There shall
9 also be in said service such subordinate officers, clerks,
10 and employees as may be appropriated for by Congress.
11 The service thus established shall promote and regulate
12 the use of lands on the Outer Continental Shelf for pur-
13 poses of energy and mineral resources exploration, produc-
14 tion and development, and shall administer a program re-
15 sponsible for the timely and accurate collection, distribu-
16 tion, accounting for and auditing of revenues owed by
17 holders of mineral leases on Federal and offshore and In-
18 dian lands. The service shall administer its functions by
19 such means as are reasonably necessary to carry out the
20 purposes of this Act, the Outer Continental Shelf Lands
21 Act (43 U.S.C. 1301 et seq.), the Mineral Leasing Act
22 (30 U.S.C. 181–287), and the Federal Oil and Gas Roy-
23 alty Management Act (30 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), and all
24 other applicable Federal laws.

